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SUBJECT: US FISHERY OFF FRENCH GUIANA

REF: (A) EC BRUSSELS 5216

1. MISSION AUTHORIZED TO SEND NOTE TO EC REQUESTING DELAY IN ENFORCEMENT OF LICENSING REGIME OFF FRENCH GUIANA AS OUTLINED REFTEL. DEPT. BELIEVES SEVERAL WEEKS OR N ONE MONTH IS MINIMUM TIME FOR NECESSARY PROCEDURES TO BE COMPLETED. REGARDING THIS POINT, MISSION SHOULD REMIND EC THAT US DID NOT BEGIN ENFORCEMENT OF NEW FISHERIES REGIME UNTIL NEARLY ONE YEAR AFTER PASSAGE OF LAW AND AFTER THERE HAD BEEN OPPORTUNITY TO NEGOTIATE AGREEMENTS WITH INVOLVED COUNTRIES.

2. DEPT WILL ATTEMPT TO COMPILE SCIENTIFIC DATA REQUESTED PARA 7 REFTEL AND WILL POUCH INFO. NATURE OF THIS TECHNICAL INFORMATION, HOWEVER, IS SUCH THAT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR US AND EC SCIENTISTS TO MEET AND REVIEW DATA. MISSION SHOULD SUGGEST THIS TO EC OFFICIALS. DEPT. NOT IMMEDIATELY AWARE OF FISHERIES OFF U.S. COAST WHICH ARE RESTRICTED EVEN IN THE FACE OF SCIENTIFIC EVIDENCE THAT THERE IS NO CONSERVATION REASON FOR DOING SO. IF EC PURSUES THIS, MISSION SHOULD PRESS FOR CLARIFICATION AND SPECIFIC EXAMPLES.

3. REGARDING PARA 7(C) REFTEL, US SHRIMP VESSELS OFF FRENCH GUIANA ARE ALL APPROXIMATELY SAME SIZE AND DO GENERALLY BEGIN FISHING FAIRLY SOON AFTER LEAVING PORT. HOWEVER, OPERATION OF FLEET IS SUCH THAT THEY DO NOT ALL FISH AT SAME TIME. TO THE CONTRARY, BECAUSE RELATIVELY SMALL SIZE OF VESSELS NECESSITATES FREQUENT RUNS BACK TO PORT TO OFFLOAD CATCH AND OBTAIN FUEL, PROVISIONS, ETC.
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THERE ARE DEFINITELY FEWER VESSELS FISHING IN A GIVEN AREA AT ANY ONE TIME. THIS DEVICE HAS BEEN USED BY U.S. AND OTHERS, NOT SOLELY AS MEANS OF DEALING WITH LARGE, DISTANT VESSELS, BUT WITH SMALL, NEAR-SHORE OPERATIONS AS WELL. IT HAS BEEN USED IN US/BRAZIL SHRIMP AGREEMENTS AND IN SMALL BOAT FISHING ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND BRITISH VIRGIN ISLANDS. 65 U.S. VESSELS ALLOWED OFF FRENCH GUIANA AT ANY ONE TIME WOULD PROBABLY AVOID SERIOUS RESTRICTIONS ON U.S. FISHERY AND WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH INTENTION TO KEEP 1977 CATCHES AT 1975 LEVELS. VANCE

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